

## **Prayer for Our Community**

- Pray for all teachers and students in our community.
- Pray for all the Health Care Providers.
- Pray for Doug Klassen (MCCanada's Executive Minister) and for church leaders at all levels of our conference.
- Pray for Michael Pahl, our MCManitoba's Executive Minister.

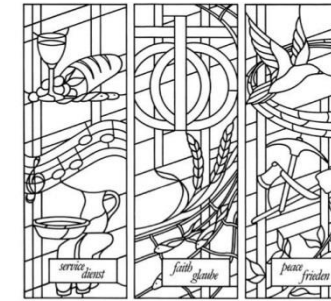
## **Prayers for the World**

- Please pray for the people in Ukraine. They were invaded by Russia. They also continue to deal with rampant COVID-19 cases as well as rising inflation making access to basic goods and services more difficult and more expensive.

- **Prayer request from MC Canada Palestine-Israel Network** - This year in Palestine and Israel, the holy seasons of Passover, Easter and Ramadan converge, making the Old City of Jerusalem a lively place of pilgrimage and prayer for Jews, Christians and Muslims. It is also a time of tension rooted in the ongoing injustices of the Israeli occupation. Let us pray for our Palestinian brothers and sisters as they seek to live out and proclaim Jesus's way of peace. See the Holy Week in Jerusalem suggestions at: <https://mennochurch.mb.ca/get-involved/Palestine-Israel>

- **Prayer part of daily life at Meserete Kristos Seminary** Witness workers in Ethiopia, Werner and Joanne De Jong, are learning about prayer from their students at the Meserete Kristos Seminary. They ask us to join their students in prayers for peace in Ethiopia and for the last month of classes, papers and exams before graduation on May 21.

*If you would like to add or remove any prayer requests, please contact the church office.*



# Altona Mennonite Church

Worship Service 11:00 am

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## ***Easter Sunday***

### ***"From Certainty to Openness"***

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord." -ISAIAH 55:1*

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed!** x 3

Leader: Together we seek the way of God—

**North: the generous,**

*South: compassionate,*

**North: grace-filled,**

*South: inclusive,*

**North: abundant,**

*South: powerful,*

**North: unsettling,**

**All: way of God.**

Leader: On this day that God has made,  
may our hearts be open to the good news:  
Christ is not here, for he is risen.

**All: Jesus Christ is risen indeed!**

Hymn VT 333 Low in the Grave He Lay

Prayer

Hymn VT 346 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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*Altona Mennonite Church is on Treaty One Territory.*

Old Testament Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24;

Hymn VT 377 New Earth, Heavens New

Children's feature

Congregational Prayer

Hymn VT 342 That Easter Morn, at Break of Day

New Testament Scriptures Reading: John 20:1-18

Message When Jesus speaks your name Pastor Dan Kehler

Hymn VT 340 Lift Your Glad Voices

Announcements & Offering

Sending

Hymn VT 565 Christ Is Alive, and Goes Before Us

Worship Leader: Andrea Hildebrand

Musicians: Lori & Loren Hiebert

Recording: Dale Klassen

### **WORSHIP & MEETING EVENTS AT AMC**

April 24 11:00 am Worship Service

Farewell for Pastor Dan Kehler, with lunch following

*Theme:* A sharing service of celebration and thanksgiving for the pastoral ministry of Dan Kehler at AMC. *Worship leader:* Dave Regehr *Musician(s):* Dave & Hildie Regehr

*Recording:* Nathan Loewen

May 1 11:00 am Worship Service with guests from the Mennonite World Conference Young Adults Team

*Worship Leader:* Lori Hiebert *Musician(s):* Loren & Lori Hiebert *Recording:* Loren Braul

May 8 11:00 am Worship Service

May 15 11:00 am Worship Service

**Birthdays:** April 19 – Lori Hiebert, Sean Hildebrand;

April 23 – Harry Wiens

**Anniversaries:** April 18 – Lloyd & Lorie Wiebe

### **AMC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **You all are welcome to come for lunch on April 24th.**

This time of fellowship together is part of the farewell to Pastor Dan.

**If possible please rsvp Andrea** by calling 204-324-1947 or email [andkar8052@gmail.com](mailto:andkar8052@gmail.com)

- We will be dipping into our line of credit to make our first quarter donations. You may contribute online if you bank at Access Credit Union (using your 7-digit phone number as your account number), make an e-transfer to [amchurchdonations@gmail.com](mailto:amchurchdonations@gmail.com), or send a cheque to AMC (Box 1237, Altona, MB, R0G 0B0). Thank you for your continued generosity.

### **WIDER COMMUNITY & MISC. ANNOUNCEMENT**

- **The Mennonite Centre in Ukraine** is grateful to be able to continue serving the people in Ukraine. Our staff in Molochansk are still able to prepare meals and distribute food hampers to local people. We are also able to connect with trusted individuals and agencies in Ukraine who are bringing supplies from Europe and western Ukraine to eastern Ukrainian cities where the war has destroyed so much. On their return trips they bring refugees to places of safety. They do this in the midst of severe danger. Just a few of these include our maintenance person, the pastor of the Molochansk Mennonite Church, and a former member whom we know well. We are grateful for so many generous donors and for your continued prayers. The most recent newsletter is on the bulletin board.

- **Join MCC in response to the crisis in Ukraine.** Russian military forces have invaded Ukraine with active shelling, airstrikes and other hostilities targeting cities across the entire country. For the latest updates on MCC's relief response, visit [mcccanada.ca](http://mcccanada.ca). Join us in [prayer](#) and donate at [mcccanada.ca/ukraine](http://mcccanada.ca/ukraine).

- **MCM Delegates for MC Canada Gathering 2022** Mennonite Church Manitoba is looking for delegates to attend the MC Canada Gathering in Edmonton, July 29-Aug 1. We need 11 general delegates to represent MCM at delegate sessions and 3 Young Leaders Experience participants (age 17-21) to take part in a delegate program geared for them. Registration, accommodation, and travel costs will be covered. Please see [www.mennochurch.mb.ca](http://www.mennochurch.mb.ca) for more info, and contact [office@mennochurch.mb.ca](mailto:office@mennochurch.mb.ca) if you are interested.

- **Registration is open for all of our camps** – day, overnight, farm, outtrip, ADV – we are so looking forward to being together this summer!

- **Camp Assiniboia is hiring for the following positions:** Summer Head Cook, Casual year-round Head Cook, and Kitchen Assistant. For more information, contact Lauren Gervais at [cakitchen@campswithmeaning.org](mailto:cakitchen@campswithmeaning.org).

- **Leaders of Mennonite Church Canada** are calling on the members, congregations and regional churches of Mennonite Church Canada to respond to the **climate emergency**. This document (available at [www.mennonitechurch.ca/climate-action](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/climate-action)) includes six initiatives that "reflect our working commitments as a nationwide church."

Also included is a recommended reading list – <https://www.commonword.ca/go/2809>.

- **Join a compassionate community of Manitobans helping to end hunger!** Sponsor an acre of Manitoba farmland through Grow Hope to provide food and agricultural training for people in places like India and Haiti. Your gift will multiply with every \$1 growing to as much as \$5! Visit [mccmb.ca/growhope](http://mccmb.ca/growhope) to learn more and join us.

### **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

- Jean Tarnick is back in her own apartment! Pray for a smooth transition as she navigates back to home life with added homecare.

- Steven Wiebe is requesting prayer for him and his family. He is very concerned about Emily and how she lives with her disability. Also the family is still going through emotional struggles at the loss of Tim.

- Pray for Ken & Marianne Braun who are at Eastview.

- Pray for all those for whom mental health makes daily life a struggle. The current situation increases anxiety for many.

- Pray for those who experience physical pain, and for friends and family who help with their care.

- Many of our church family have other people they are concerned about. Pray for healing, strength and calm for all.